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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

The India-Pakistan Situation  
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1. Both sides continue to trade charges of cease-fire violations. The Indians claim the Pakistanis attempted to push forward along the front in the Lahore sector, while the Pakistanis report an Indian attack against a Pakistani outpost in the Rajasthan area south of the Punjab. These alleged incidents, if they in fact took place, are almost certainly of a minor nature, as have been most cease-fire violations of the past several days.
2. A tentative pattern appears to be emerging in reported cease-fire violations during the past week. Shooting incidents are still taking place in Kashmir, although on a relatively reduced scale. South of Kashmir, however, most alleged violations appear to involve troop movements, mine-laying, and similar rather minor infractions. In these areas--the Punjab and the Sind-Rajasthan border--the cease-fire seems to be taking hold at present.
3. UN Secretary General Thant today reported a general improvement in observance of the cease-fire on the subcontinent. He noted, however, that numerous reports of violations continue to be received from UN observers, as well as from Indian and Pakistani sources. Thant added that the UN observers were seriously hampered by a lack of transport and communications equipment.
4. Ambassador McConaughy reports that Pakistan appears to have emerged from the recent hostilities with more self-confidence, pride in its armed forces and greater energy, dedication and national unity. He adds that there is an enhanced national determination to make, if necessary, a blood

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sacrifice for Kashmir and to strengthen in every way Pakistan's military and security posture. These factors, he believes are likely to be a source of continuing friction with the West in the immediate future.

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6. The US Consul General in Dacca reports that the recent hostilities have given the central regime and the advocates of centralization in East Pakistan at least a temporary shot in the arm. He believes, however, that underlying separatist currents are still running strong, and adds that "provincialists" are likely to demand that the East Pakistani population be given military training and arms, as well as greater protection by regular Pakistani troops. He believes also that most East Pakistanis still prefer West Pakistani domination to Indian rule.

7. Prime Minister Shastri, in a magazine interview, claims that the present situation on the subcontinent is merely a stalemate, not an end to the war. He makes his usual claim that the Pakistanis have merely agreed to a temporary cease-fire and will renew their "aggression" when it is convenient to them, and adds that the Pakistanis seem determined to sabotage the present cease-fire arrangements. Shastri also strongly criticizes the UK position regarding Kashmir and the situation on the subcontinent. He adds that the US position "is slightly better" than the British.

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**NOTE:** The 6:00 A.M. Report will not be published hereafter. Items on the India-Pakistan situation in the Current Intelligence Bulletin will continue to be published as of 0430 A.M. The Report issued at 4:00 P.M. will also continue until further notice.

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